

House Resolution No. 1778

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in silent reverie to recognize the lifetime achievements of SPC Colby Mace Farnan, an outstanding Missourian who positively touched the lives of countless individuals during his twenty-two-year journey on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Colby Farnan was born on June 11, 1982, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and was serving his country in Iraq on February 25, 2005, when God took him home to the love and beauty of His everlasting light; and

Whereas, a member of the 3rd Infantry Division, 1st Armored Brigade, Colby Farnan will be greatly missed by his grieving family whose members include his parents, Patrick and Deann Farnan of Weston, Missouri; one sister, Kristen Farnan of Weston; his grandparents, Christina Bartholomew of Philadelphia, Mississippi, and Brian and Jean Bartholomew and Emerita Farnan of Weston; and numerous other family members and friends; and

Whereas, Colby Farnan had also nurtured a very special relationship of love and devotion with other members of his family who preceded him in death, including one uncle, Bruce Bartholomew; his maternal great-grandparents, Chris and Cordella Emmett; and his grandfather Joe Farnan; and

Whereas, Colby Farnan was a 2000 graduate of West Platte High School, where he had distinguished himself by being a member of the Academic Bowl and Band and a Baseball All-Conference Utility Infielder who hit both the tying run and the winning run in the district semi finals his senior year; and

Whereas, a member of the United States Army since 2002, Colby Farnan had been stationed in Fort Riley, Kansas, served one year in Korea, and earned the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, and the status of Expert Marksman; and

Whereas, weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning knowing Colby Farnan is safe in God's arms and we too one day will fly away to be with him again:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in paying final tribute to Colby Farnan and in expressing to his family our deepest sympathy at this difficult time of tremendous personal loss; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late SPC Colby Mace Farnan.

Offered by _____
Representative Curt Dougherty
District No. 53

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1778, adopted April 4, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker